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Annexure B to Applicant's Closing Submissions
Scheduled Coupes: Forest Classification & Silvicultural methods

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Coupe group location	Coupe name, number and 2FASOC paragraph	Silviculture System designated on TRP 2017 and 2019	Date of coupe Plan	Silviculture System designated on Coupe Plan	Forest Classification
A. Acheron	1. White House 309-507-0007 10.17	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p12 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p11	24 Apr 2017 (CB 8.27)	STR (CB 8.27, p5)	Forest Type: Mapped as 1939 regrowth mixed species with some Ash. Ground inspection and aerial photography shows the site to be old growth. (see figure Acheron 3). First Smith, CB 4.2.1, p68 Agreed Maps 7.4.3e & 7.4.3f
B. Ada River	2. Johnny 348-518-0004 10.30	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p16 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p17	-	-	Forest Type: All three coupes were mapped Ash Forest by VicForests. Site inspection showed this to be incorrect. All coupes were a mixture of Mixed Species and Ash with Mixed Species predominant except on Johnny. ...
	3. Turducken 348-519-0008 10.31	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p16 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p17	-	-	Forest Structure: All three coupes (Turducken, Johnny scheduled and Tarzan logged) were mapped as all or predominantly 1939 regrowth by VicForests. Site inspection showed this to be incorrect. All coupes were uneven-aged old growth with an abundance of living old Mixed Species in the canopy to provide hollows. Examination of stumps, retained habitat trees and aerial photographs indicates that most of the forest on the logged coupes was high quality mixed species uneven aged old growth prior to logging. First Smith, CB 4.2.1, p71 Agreed Maps 7.5.3e & 7.5.3f
C. Ada Tree	4. Blue Cat 344-509-0007 10.22	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p15 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p14	-	-	Forest Type and Structure: All three coupes were mapped by VicForests as predominantly 1939 Ash regrowth with some Mixed Species in the gullies. Site inspection showed this to be appropriate for most areas inspected on the ground, but examination of aerial photographs indicated presence of extensive uneven-aged old growth mainly in the gullies on Blue Cat and minor patches on Blue Vein, mostly in the general area mapped as Mixed Species. These

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					<p>areas are likely to be Critical and Important habitat for the Greater Glider and should be retained and protected to prevent a significant impact.</p> <p>First Smith, CB 4.2.1, p74 Agreed Maps 7.6.3e & 7.6.3f</p>
D. Baw Baw	5. Diving Spur 483-505-0018 10.34	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p23 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p32	-	-	<p>Forest Type and Structure: Mapped as more than about 50% old growth (pre 1860) Mixed Species in both coupes with the remainder 1939 Mixed Species (Diving Spur) and about 25% 1939 regrowth and 2017 regrowth (Rowels). This is not entirely consistent with site survey which shows (from remnant old growth habitat trees (see Figure Baw Baw Rowels) that uneven-aged old growth occurred across the logged part of Rowels before timber harvesting. This old growth is not clearly evident on aerial photographs. Site inspection shows that the many living senescent trees in this area have broken tops which may have been damaged by wind throw, possibly making the canopy height more uniform than normal in old growth.</p> <p>First Smith, CB 4.2.1, p76 Agreed Maps 7.7.3e & 7.7.3f</p>
E. Beech Creek	6. Waves 300-524-0002 10.12	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p	-	-	<p>Forest Type and Structure: VicForests map these coupes as a mix of 1939 and pre-1900 Ash Forests. Site inspection occurred only in the 1939 portion of the coupes and was consistent with mapping. Aerial photography is consistent with old growth forest mapping.</p> <p>First Smith, CB 4.2.1, p78 Agreed Maps 7.8.3e & 7.8.3f</p>
	7. Surfing 300-539-0001 10.13	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p11 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p10	-	-	<p>Forest Type and Structure: VicForests map these coupes as a mix of 1939 and pre-1900 Ash Forests. Site inspection occurred only in the 1939 portion of the coupes and was consistent with mapping. Aerial photography is consistent with old growth forest mapping.</p> <p>First Smith, CB 4.2.1, p78 Agreed Maps 7.8.3e & 7.8.3f</p>

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F. Big River	8. Vice Captain 290-527-0004 10.38	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p8 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p9	9 Apr 2018 (CB 8.28 & 8.28A)	CFE (CB 8.28, p5 & 8.28A, p6)	Forest Type and Structure: Both coupes are mapped as all 1939 regrowth and predominantly Mixed Species with about 50% crown scorch and some crown burn (Camberwell Junction) and about 30% crown scorch (Vice Captain) and light fire in 2009 in the balance of forest on both coupes. Site inspection revealed uneven aged old growth on both coupes with abundant large old senescent Gums and Stringybarks scattered across the coupes. These old growth trees appear to have survived and recovered after the 2009 wildfire. First Smith, CB 4.2.1, p79 Agreed Maps 7.9.3e & 7.9.3f
G. Coles Creek	9. Home & Away 297-538-0004 10.8	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p9 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p9	-	-	Forest Type and Structure. Mapping shows 1939 Ash Forest. Site inspection showed advanced Ash Regrowth structurally suitable for Greater Gliders but no trees with hollows were observed in the inspection transect. Examination of aerial Photographs (map 11A) indicated the likely presence of scattered small patches of irregular canopy consistent with old growth throughout the coupe. First Smith, CB 4.2.1, p82 Agreed Maps 7.11.3e & 7.11.3f
H. Hermitage Creek	10. Drum Circle 307-505-0001 10.14	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p11 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p11	-	-	Forest Type: Mapping shows forest on three coupes (Guitar solo, Flute and San Diego) to be predominantly Mixed Species and forest on one coupe (Drum Circle) to be predominantly Ash with about 20% Mixed Species.
	11. Flute 307-505-0009 10.15	STR 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p11 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p11	-	-	Forest Structure: Mapping shows all four coupes to be

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	12. San Diego 307-505-0010 10.16	STR 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p11 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p11	-	-	1939 regrowth. Site inspection and aerial photo inspection showed that all coupes are substantially old growth or within 100m of old growth, especially in the gullies and sheltered aspects. The least area of apparent old growth (about 20%) occurs on Guitar Solo. First Smith, CB 4.2.1, p83 Agreed Maps 7.12.3e & 7.12.3f
I. Loch and Noojee	13. Brugha 462-506-0019 10.32B	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p20 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p27	-	-	Forest Type: Mapping shows forest on three coupes to be predominantly Mixed Species with minor amounts of Ash.
	14. Jakob 462-507-0009 10.33	STR 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p20 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p27	-	-	Forest Structure: Mapping shows Brugha to be predominantly pre 1860 and part Jakob to be pre 1860 and mostly pre 1910. ... Site inspection and aerial photo inspection showed that all coupes are substantially old growth or within 100m of old growth, especially in the gullies and sheltered aspects. First Smith, CB 4.2.1, p85 Agreed Maps 7.13.3e & 7.13.3f
J. Mount Bride	15. Louisiana 345-526-0003 10.27	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p15 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p15	-	-	Forest Type and Structure: Site inspection showed the site to be advanced regrowth (probably 1939). Ash Aerial photographs showed an irregular canopy associated with old growth but ground inspection showed that irregularity was due to patchy regeneration with large patches of Acacia dealbata (excellent for Leadbeater's Possum) and "open grown" ash trees with unusually large crowns and stem diameters resulting from reduced competition. A number of these larger than usual open grown 79 year old Ash trees had developed hollows (fissures, dead
	16. Bourbon Street 345-526-0004 10.28	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p15 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p15	-	-	

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					<p>crowns see Mount Bride photo below) at an unusually young age (normal age for hollow development is 120 years).</p> <p>First Smith, CB 4.2.1, p88 Agreed Maps 7.15.3e & 7.15.3f</p>
K. Mount Despair	17. Chest 298-502-0003 10.9	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p10 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p9	16 Nov 2017 (CB 8.29, p12)	RRH (CB 8.29, p4)	Forest Type And Structure: ... Chest is mapped as 1939 Ash (about 40%) and the balance 1939 Mixed Species. Glenview and Bridle are mapped as 1939 Mixed Species.
	18. Bridle 298-510-0003 10.10	STR 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p10 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p9	11 Jul 2013 (CB 8.30)	CFE (CB 8.30, p4)	<p>Site surveys and aerial photography showed that mapping was mostly incorrect. Bridle is also Mixed Species uneven-aged old growth with abundant senescent trees and Glenview was uneven-aged Mixed Species with about 4 senescent old growth trees/ha remaining after logging and burning. Chest was listed as scheduled for logging but has been logged in the lower (Ash) part uphill of the road and was found to support predominantly 1939 regrowth with a low density of larger trees with hollows in the area examined. Greater Glider records on Chest are mostly located in the Mixed Species part of the coupe. This part of the coupe was not inspected on the ground but based on aerial photographs is considered likely to be similar to that on Bridle and Glenview (uneven-aged old growth Mixed Species),</p> <p>First Smith, CB 4.2.1, p89 Agreed Maps 7.16.3e & 7.16.3f</p>

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L. New Turkey Spur	19. Gallipoli 348-504-0005 10.29	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p16 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p16	-	-	Forest Type and Structure: mapped as 1939 regrowth Ash. Site inspection showed the site to have an exceptional abundance of large dead trees with hollows (stags) (11/ha) and at least one living old growth ash with hollows (see photo). First Smith, CB 4.2.1, p92 Agreed Maps 7.17.3e & 7.17.3f
M. Nolans Gully	20. Goliath 297-505-0001 10.1	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p9 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p9	-	-	Forest Types and Structure: These coupes are mapped as Ash Forest with small amounts (about 20%) Mixed Species in all but Shrek. All of the coupes have some pre1860 Ash Forest which is extremely rare and critically important to Greater Gliders and Leadbeater's Possum. Most of Shrek (about 80%), about 50% of Junior and a small amount (about 15%) of Infant and Goliath is mapped as Old Growth. Site inspections showed habitat in areas mapped as regrowth in Goliath and Infant to have a low density scattered living large old trees (2/ha) in the overstorey. This habitat can be classified as uneven-aged old growth Ash which is very rare and critically important as a fire and old growth refuge for both the Greater Glider and Leadbeaters possum. Suitable habitat for both species was evident on all coupes. First Smith, CB 4.2.1, p93 Agreed Maps 7.18.3e & 7.18.3f
	21. Shrek 297-509-0001 10.2	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p9 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p9	-	-	
	22. Infant 297-509-0002 10.3	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p9 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p9	11 Jul 2013 (CB 11.25)	CFE (CB 11.4)	
	23. Junior 297-511-0002 10.4	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p9 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p9	-	-	
N. Noojee	24. Epiphanie 462-504-0009 10.32	STR 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p20 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p26	31 Oct 2017 (CB 8.31)	STR (CB 8.31, p 4)	Forest Type and Structure: Mapped as mostly Mixed Species 1939 regrowth with about 15% Ash (Loch stock and Epiphanie) or 1939 regrowth and about 50% 1970's Ash (Skerrys Reach). Site inspection revealed a mixture of Ash and Mixed species with some scattered living old growth trees and dead stags, particularly on Epiphanie. On Skerrys and Loch Stock the habitat was
	25. Loch Stock 462-504-0008 10.32A	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p20 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p26	-	-	

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					<p>structurally dense in patches highly suitable for Leadbeater’s Possum. The lower portion of Epiphania was found to have been logged.</p> <p>First Smith, CB 4.2.1, p95 Agreed Maps 7.19.3e & 7.19.3f</p>
O. Snobbs Creek	26. Dry Spell 288-505-0001 10.39	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p8 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p7			<p>Forest Type and Structure: Creek Hill coupe occurs along a road edge and is mapped as predominantly 1939 regrowth Mixed Species on the lower half and</p>
	27. Dry Creek Hill 288-506-0001 10.40	Road alignment – improvement 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p8 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p7	20 Mar 2017 (CB 8.32 & 8.32A)	Road alignment – improvement (CB 8.32, p4 & CB 8.32A p5)	<p>predominantly 1939 Ash on the upper half. Dry Spell is mapped as predominantly 1939 regrowth Ash with some Mix Species on the boundary. Site inspection showed Creek Hill to be uneven-aged Old growth with a great abundance of senescent trees with hollows. Many of these hollows were in stems of small diameter (< 100 cm). At the inspection site Dry Spell was found to be regrowth Ash with some dead stags to provide hollows. Aerial photography shows that most of Dry Creek Hill is within an area of irregular large canopy forests consistent with old growth and similar apparent old growth occurs on about 25% of Dry Spell in the general area where Greater Gliders have been recorded.</p> <p>First Smith, CB 4.2.1, p97 Agreed Maps 7.22.3e & 7.22.3f</p>
P. South Noojee	28. Backdoor 462-512-0002 10.35	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p20 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p27	27 Apr 2018 (CB 8.33 & 8.33A)	Not stated (CB 8.33 & 8.33A, p3)	<p>Forest Type and Structure: Mapped as predominantly 1939 regrowth Ash (Backdoor) and a mixture of 1939 Ash and Mixed Species and a small amount of Pre-1860</p>

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	29. Lodge 463-501-0005 10.36	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p20 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p28	-	-	Mixed Species on Lodge. Site inspection of Backdoor revealed an uneven-aged structure with scattered living senescent old growth trees with hollows. Road access to Lodge was blocked and site inspection was limited to the southern boundary (by 200m walk in). This southern part of Lodge was regrowth Ash without tree hollows. Aerial photography indicates that the upper portion of Lodge is likely to be mostly uneven-aged old growth Mixed Species. First Smith, CB 4.2.1, p98 Agreed Maps 7.23.3e & 7.23.3f
Q. Starlings Gap	30. Smyth Creek 345-504-0003 10.23	STR 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p15 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p14	20 Apr 2015 (CB 8.34)	Road alignment – construction (CB 8.34, p4)	Forest Type and Structure: Smyth is mapped as mostly 1939 regrowth Mixed Species. Site inspection showed the coupe to be dominated by uneven-aged old growth Mixed Species.
	31. Starlings Gap 345-504-0005 10.24	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p15 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p14	-	-	Hairy Hyde is mapped as a mixture of 1939 Mixed Species regrowth and mostly 1939 Ash regrowth. Site inspection showed the Mixed species portion to be uneven-aged old growth with abundant living old
	32. Hairy Hyde 345-505-0006 10.25 & 9.20	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p15 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p14	19 May 2016 (CB 8.35, p21)	STR (CB 8.35, p4)	senescent trees with hollows. Black Sands Road is mapped as part 1939 regrowth Ash and part 1939 (and younger) regrowth Mixed Species. Site inspections showed the site to be dominated by uneven-aged Mixed Species with scattered living senescent trees with hollows and dead stags. Starlings Gap is mapped as predominantly regrowth 1939 Ash but aerial photography shows a distinct uneven aged old-growth structure across about 50% of the area.
	33. Blacksands Road 345-505-0009 10.26	STR 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p15 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p15	-	-	First Smith, CB 4.2.1, p99 Agreed Maps 7.24.3e & 7.24.3f

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R. Sylvia Creek and Kalatha Creek	34. Gun Barrel 297-526-0001 10.5	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p9 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p9	20 Sep 2011 (CB 8.36, p14)	CFE (CB 8.36, p5)	Forest Type and Structure: Mapping shows all of these coupes to be Ash Forest of varying ages with pre 1860 forest on about 30% of Imperium, 25% of Utopia and 40 % of Gun Barrel. The balance of areas are mapped as 1939 or younger regrowth. Aerial photographs indicate that uneven-aged old growth is extensive on all coupes including South Col which is mapped entirely as 1939 or earlier regrowth. Inspection of South Col (below) showed abundant large living trees with hollows in the overstorey. First Smith, CB 4.2.1, p101 Agreed Maps 7.25.3e & 7.25.3f
	35. Imperium 297-530-0001 10.6	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p9 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p9	-	-	
	36. Utopia 297-530-0002 10.7	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p9 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p9	-	-	
	37. South Col 298-509-0001 10.11	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p10 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p9	-	-	
S. Torbreck (North & South)	38. Bhebe 312-503-0002 10.20	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p12 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p12	-	-	Forest Type and Structure. Mapping shows Farm Spur and Skupani to be 1939 regrowth Mixed Species, Splinter to be 1939 Mixed Species and Ash, and Bhebe to be about 75% 1939 Ash and the remainder 1939 Mixed Species. Ground inspections and aerial photography show substantial parts of these coupes to be uneven-aged old growth with large numbers (8-11/ha) of large old senescent trees with hollows in the overstorey. Farm Spur has had a log dump cleared in the south east. First Smith, CB 4.2.1, p103 Agreed Maps 7.26.3e & 7.26.3f; 7.27.3e & 7.27.3f
	39. Farm Spur Gum 312-002-0006 10.21A	STR 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p12 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p12	26 Mar 2018 (CB 8.37), 27 Mar 2018 (CB 8.37A, p 22)	STR (CB 8.37, p5 & CB 8.37A p6)	
	40. Skupani 312-007-0014 10.18	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p12 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p12	-	-	
	41. Splinter 312-508-0002 10.19	CFE 2017 TRP: CB 6.6, p12 2019 TRP: CB 6.8A, p12	-	-	